

New Hampshire Racing & Charitable Gaming Commission
Commission Meeting
Concord Office
June 16, 2009
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Present: Timothy J. Connors, Chairman
Warren W. Leary, Secretary
Michael J. Gatsas, Member
Lynn M. Presby, Member
Anthony B. Urban, Member
Bernard A. Streeter, Member
Paul M. Kelley, Director
Sudhir K. Naik, Deputy Director
Steve Johnston, Supervisor Gaming Operations
William Dewhurst, Sr. Auditor
Linda Glaser, Auditor
Shawn Graham, Auditor
Linda Darrow, Administrative Secretary

In Attendance: Jeana Tribble, Edward Callahan, and Lucy Hodder

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Streeter, seconded by Commissioner Urban and unanimously voted to approve and place on file the Commission minutes dated June 2, 2009.

On a motion by Commissioner Streeter, seconded by Commissioner Urban and unanimously voted to accept and place on file the racing & charitable gaming statistics for the fiscal period ending June 6, 2009. Director Kelley stated that the revenue from Games of Chance is a positive in an otherwise negative trend.

The Games of Chance non-compliance warning letters spreadsheet was reviewed. Deputy Director Naik provided an update on the non-compliance warnings. Only two remain outstanding but responses are not due until June 19th. Corrective action was taken by all the other organizations appearing on the spreadsheet.

There was no correspondence to review.

Under Old Business:

- Director Kelley expressed his appreciation for Mr. Dewhurst, Ms. Glaser and Mr. Graham. They continue to perform audits, external and internal. An audit report should be available for review by the next Commission meeting.
- Mr. Callahan continues to work with the AG's office to update and finalize the guidelines pertaining to the restrictions to account wagering accounts.
- Commissioner Gatsas asked Deputy Director Naik to include in the monthly agenda packet the balances the tracks have in the account wagering accounts.

Under New Business:

- A request to amend the Bleeder Rules was submitted by Ms Dale Childs, the Racing Supervisor. Discussion ensued. It was determined that Mr. Callahan would do further research and provide the Commission with his findings before these rules are amended.

- Director Kelley provided handouts regarding the cleaning of poker chips. The Commission accepted them for review.
- Director Kelley handed out the procedures in place at the horse and dog tracks for collecting urine and blood samples.
- Commissioner Gatsas asked Mr. Callahan if Rockingham Park could run grass races. Mr. Callahan reported that the turf course was in excellent condition. Director Kelley stated that if these races are to take place, interim rules will have to be developed and a license will have to be issued.
- Commissioner Leary asked Mr. Callahan if Steeplechase races are a possibility this year. Mr. Callahan reported it would require a lot of preparation and chances were better that they could be held next year.

Director Kelley gave a legislative update. The budget is currently in conference committee.

At 11:30 a.m., a five minute recess was called.

At 11:35 a.m., on a motion by Commissioner Streeter, seconded by Commissioner Leary and by a unanimous roll call vote the Commission voted to adjourn the regular meeting, and go into non-public session.

Connors	-	Yes
Leary	-	Yes
Gatsas	-	Yes
Urban	-	Yes
Presby	-	Yes
Streeter	-	Yes

At 12:30 p.m., on a motion by Commissioner Streeter seconded by Commissioner Urban and by a unanimous roll call vote the Commission voted to come out of the non-public session and to permanently seal the non-public minutes.

Connors	-	Yes
Leary	-	Yes
Gatsas	-	Yes
Urban	-	Yes
Presby	-	Yes
Streeter	-	Yes

On a motion by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Streeter and unanimously voted to fill the Legal Coordinator position left vacant by Ms. Eldridge's resignation.

Time and location for the Commission's next meeting is to be determined.

The Chairman closed the public meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Warren W. Leary
Secretary